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Senate Resolution 97

By: Senator Grant of the 25th

## A RESOLUTION

1 Celebrating the 200th anniversary of the City of Madison; and for other purposes.

- 2 WHEREAS, in December of 1808, the Town of Madison was established by Act of the
- 3 Georgia General Assembly as the permanent site of public buildings for Morgan County; and
- 4 WHEREAS, named in honor of President James Madison, Father of the Constitution, the
- 5 Town of Madison was incorporated as the county seat on December 12, 1809, with the first
- 6 public officials appointed with the authority to pass bylaws and regulations necessary for the
- 7 improvement of the community and preservation of the public springs; and
- 8 WHEREAS, as time progressed, Madison prospered as the site of government,
- 9 transportation, and commerce, advancing from a main stop for stagecoaches to the
- 10 intersection of an interstate and three state highways today; and
- 11 WHEREAS, the central business district of Madison serves as the nexus of today's
- 12 commercial and civic life, building on the prosperity of the past two centuries; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Madison has flourished as a center for religious, educational, and cultural
- 14 institutions; as the location of one of the 12 state agricultural and mechanical schools; and
- as the epicenter for numerous cultural institutions and civic organizations; and
- 16 WHEREAS, in commemoration of Madison's 200th anniversary, the city will hold a
- 17 year-long Bicentennial Celebration, holding a series of events and programs for its citizens
- 18 highlighting the city's milestones, transitions, and legacy; and
- 19 WHEREAS, a feature of the Bicentennial Celebration will be a community dedication of
- 20 Madison Town Park, a new civic space and cultural events facility in downtown Madison;
- 21 and

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22 WHEREAS, the City of Madison continues to look with optimism toward the future while

- 23 keeping the proud memory of its beginning close to its heart to share with succeeding
- 24 generations.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 26 join in recognizing the bicentennial of Madison, Georgia, and commend the city with such
- 27 rich heritage on its 200th anniversary.
- 28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 29 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the mayor of Madison, Georgia.